

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

November 19, 2002

S. 2480 Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2002

As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on November 14, 2002

- S. 2480 would exempt certain current and former law enforcement officers from state laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns. CBO estimates that the bill would have no impact on federal spending. The legislation would not affect direct spending or receipts.
- S. 2480 would impose an intergovernmental mandate as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) because it would preempt certain state and local laws that prohibit carrying concealed weapons. CBO estimates that complying with that mandate would result in no direct costs to state and local governments, and thus the costs of that mandate would not exceed the threshold established by that act (\$58 million in 2002, adjusted annually for inflation). S. 2480 contains no new private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA.

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